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Implementation of an Electromagnetic 3D Plasma Particle-in-Cell Code on a MIMD Parallel Computer.\* P. Co Liewer, J. Wang, P. Lyster, E. Huang, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, California Institute of Technology, V. K. Decyk, UCLA. -- A three-dimensional electromagnetic plasma particle-in-cell (PIC) code has been implemented on the Intel Delta MIMD parallel supercomputer using the General Concurrent PIC algorithm. The GCPIC algorithm uses a domain decomposition to divide the computation among the processors: A processor is assigned a subdomain and all the particles in it[1]. Particles must be exchanged between processors as they move. This algorithm has been found, to be very efficient even 'when a large fraction (e.g. 30%) of the particles must be exchanged at every time step. The electromagnetic field solve uses the standard explicit leap-frog scheme to advance the fields. A comparison will be made of the parallel efficiency of the finite-difference field solve and an FFT solution of an electrostatic field solve.

1. P. C. Liewer and V. K. Decyk, JCP 85 (1983) 302.

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